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IT'S JUST THAT THE SCHOOL YEAR IS ALMOST *OVER!*

AND SINCE THE SCHOOL PAPER AND SCIENCE CLUB WENT *NOWHERE*, NOT TO MENTION...

OKAY, OKAY! I GET THE PICTURE!

I'LL FIND SOME *HOKEY* RIVERDALE HIGH CLUB TO JOIN...

GIVE ME AN *R*...

...GIVE ME AN *I*...

HMM... INTERESTING! I COULD PROBABLY DO THAT!

AND PROBABLY BETTER THAN THOSE SIMPLETONS!

HEY, THE STATE CHEER-LEADING COMPETITION IS IN 2 WEEKS! I COULD *STAND* THE ATTENTION!

I'D BETTER GET SOME TRAINING JUST IN CASE! I KNOW! I'LL LEARN FROM THE *BEST* I CAN FIND...

SOON... CHERYL, A MISS MARY SUE RETINA IS HERE TO SEE YOU!

HELLO, PLEASED TO MEET YOU!

OKAY, YADA, YADA, YADA *WHATEVER*! LET'S GET DOWN TO BUSINESS!

SO, YOUR TEAM *WON* THE WORLD CHEERLEADING COMPETITION, EH?

YES, BUT I...

GOOD! NOW, I'M *PAYING* YOU MORE THAN MOST SMALL COUNTRIES MAKE IN A YEAR, SO...

AND THE PRACTICE BEGINS...

GIVE ME A... *WHOOPS!!*

TRY AGAIN, CHERYL!

YOUR TUMBLING IS GETTING BETTER...

OOF!! I'M READY FOR A NAP...

THAT'S IT, CHERYL, JUST *FOLLOW* MY MOVES...

HEY, THIS IS SORT OF LIKE AEROBICS!

AND...

CHERYL! YOU DID IT! A SPLIT!

I THINK I SPLIT MY PANTS TOO!

AT SCHOOL...
HI, GIRLS! MAY I JOIN YOU?
WHAT DID WE DO TO DESERVE THIS?
JUST WATCH...
CHERYL, WAIT...
WOW! SHE'S ACTUALLY GOOD, BUT...
CHERYL! IT'S TOO LATE!! YOU CAN'T JOIN!
WHAT?! BUT I WAS TRAINED BY NONE OTHER THAN MARY SUE RETINA!
THAT WON'T DO YOU ANY GOOD! THE RIVERDALE CHEER-LEADING SQUAD HAS BEEN CHOSEN FOR THE YEAR!
BUT I WANNA BE IN THE STATE COMPETITION!
OH, WELL, WIN SOME, LOSE SOME!
HOLD ON! DID I HEAR THAT YOU WERE TRAINED BY MARY SUE RETINA?
YES! I WAS!
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WOULD YOU LIKE TO *PINCH HIT* AS OUR CHEERLEADING COACH FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR?

WHAT?!

WELL, I GUESS I COULD *SHARE* MY KNOWLEDGE...

WHAT ABOUT COACH WEAVER?

'BYE, GIRLS! I'M OFF TO HAVE MY BABY! SHE'S COME A BIT EARLY!

HOW INCONSIDERATE OF YOU!

GIRLS, CHERYL NEEDS COMARADERIE! SUPPORT HER!

BESIDES, YOU'VE GOT IT ALL *DOWN*! BETTY'S TEAM CAPTAIN! SHE KNOWS ALL THE MOVES!

OKAY, BUT NO FUNNY STUFF, CHERYL!

GIRLS! THIS CHEER-LEADING COMPETITION IS QUITE AN *EVENT*!

NOBODY'S MORE COMPETITIVE THAN ME! I CAN TAKE US TO THE TOP!

WELL, IT WOULD BE *NICE* TO HAVE HER ON OUR SIDE FOR ONCE!

OKAY, GIRLS! LET'S GET *CRACKING!*

I WANNA SHOW YOU SOMETHING I *LEARNED* FROM MARY SUE!

A LITTLE DIVE TO THE RIGHT...

A LITTLE DIVE TO THE LEFT...

MAKE A TWIRL LIKE THIS...

AND THEN WE ALL...

R!P!

OOPS!

IF YOU DON'T MIND, CHERYL, COULD WE *SKIP* THE *RIPPING* OUR PANTS PART?

HA! HA! VERY FUNNY!

I'LL BE BACK WITH SOME PREPARATION FOR THE COMPETITION!

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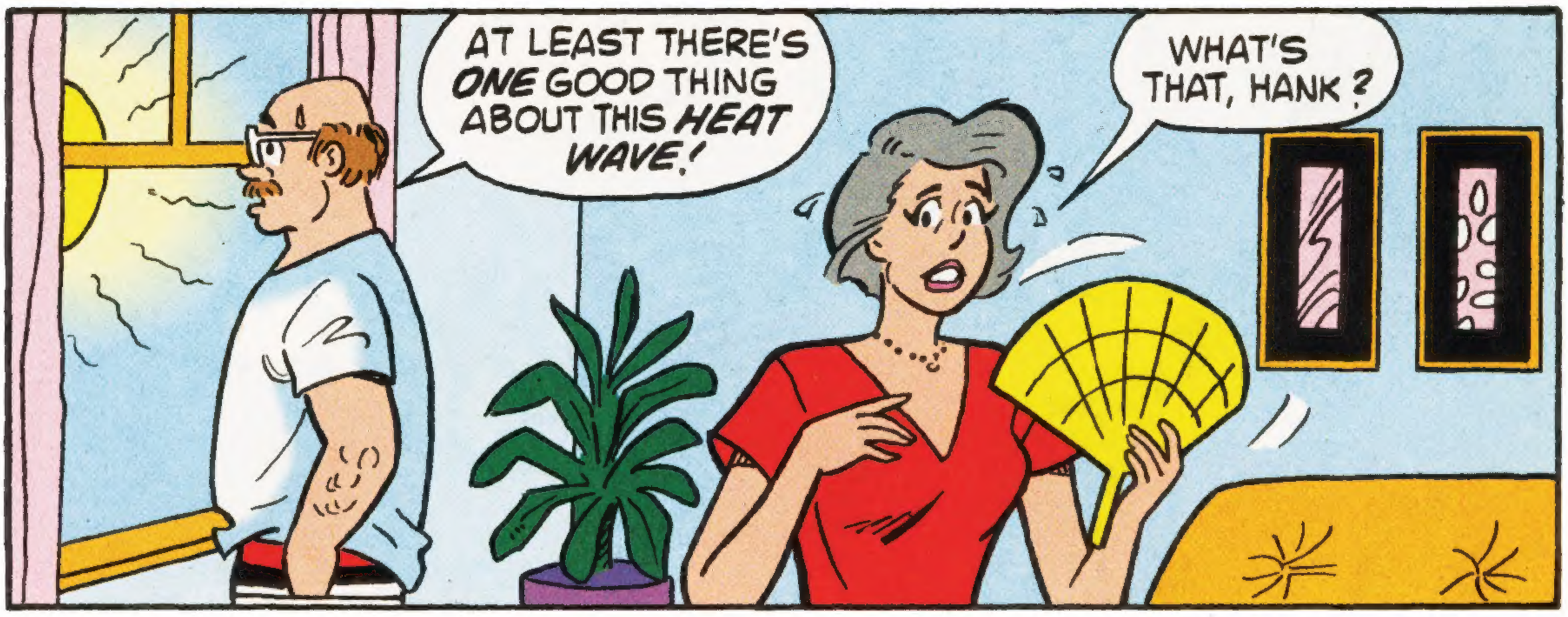

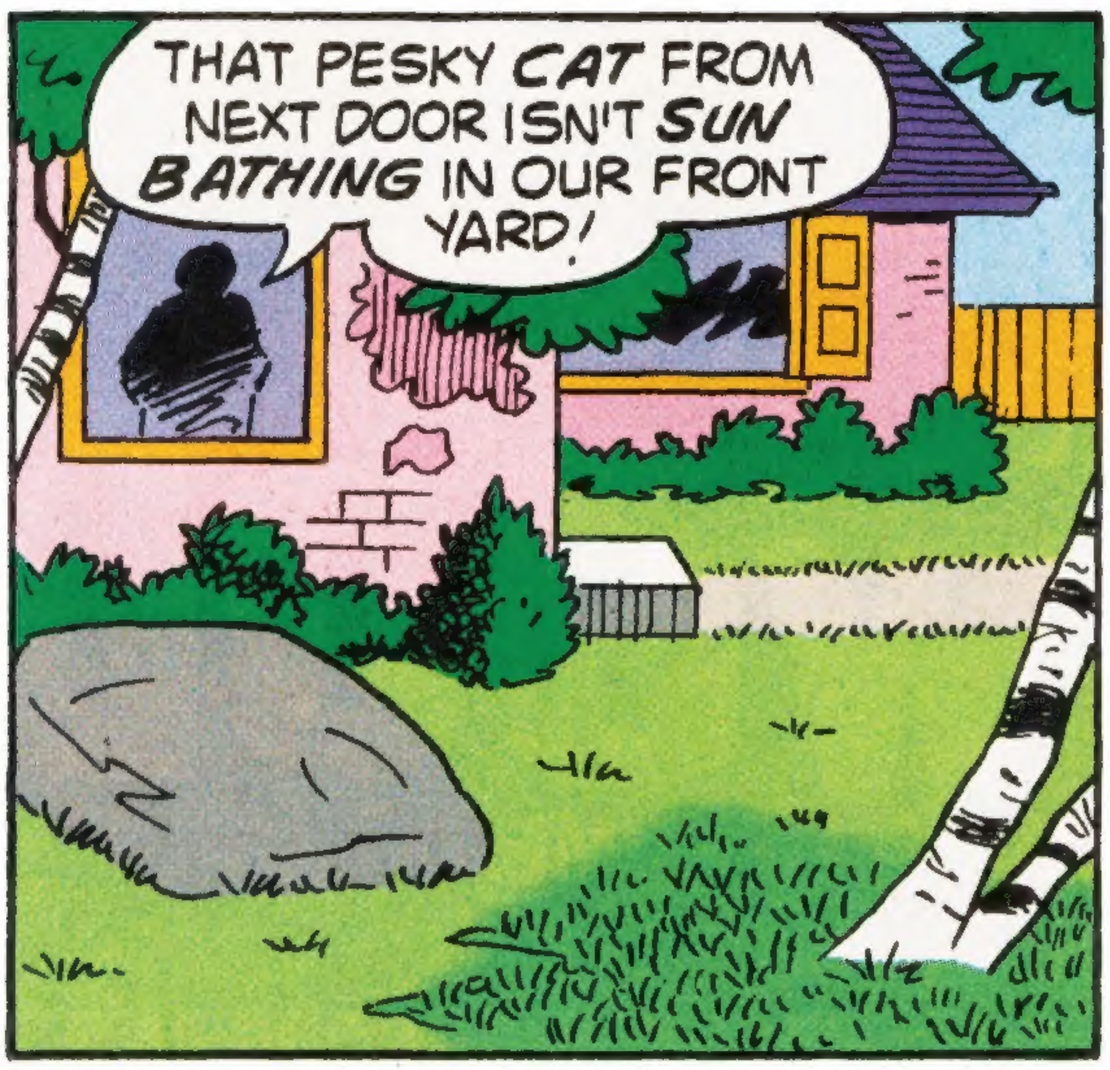

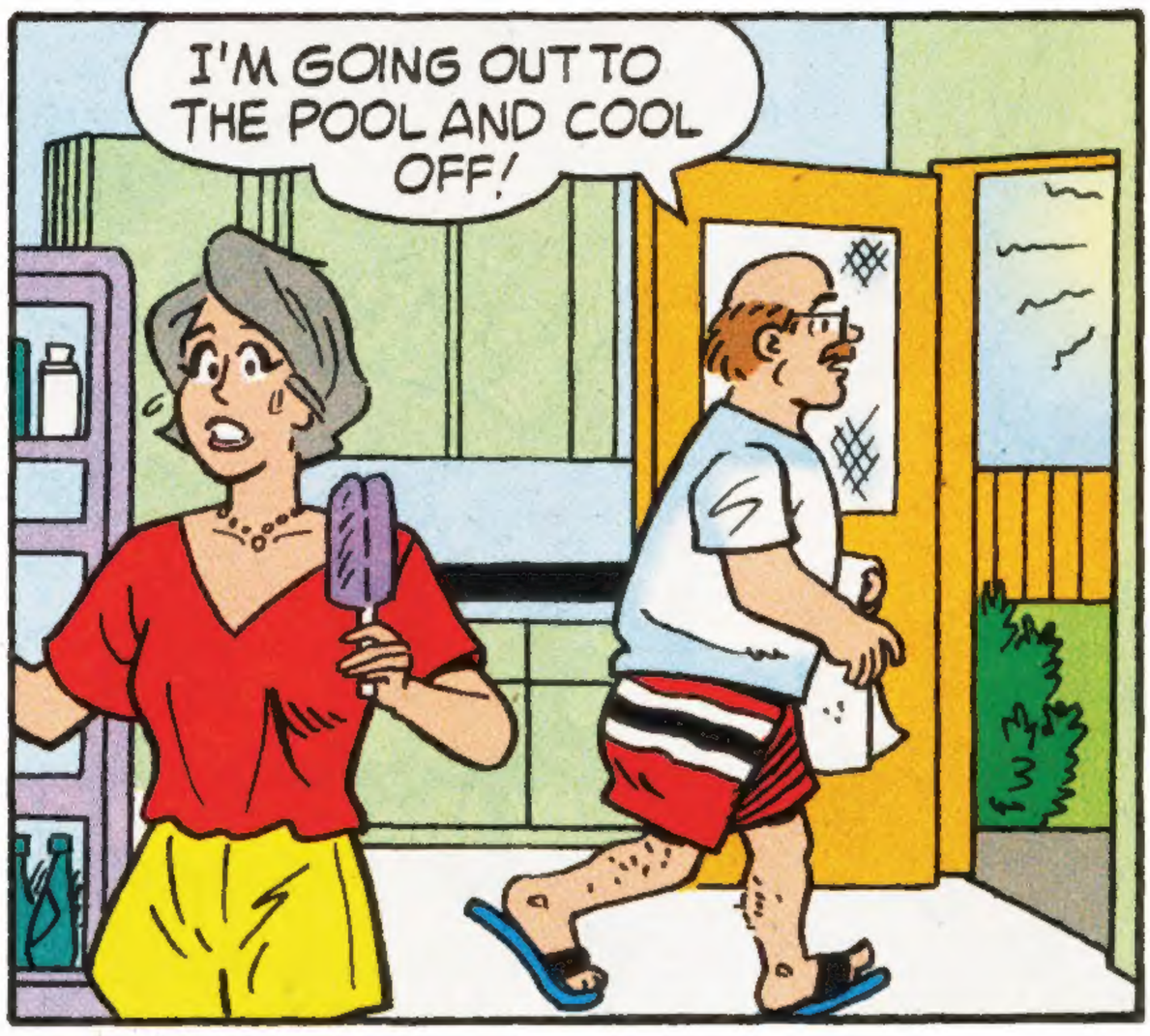

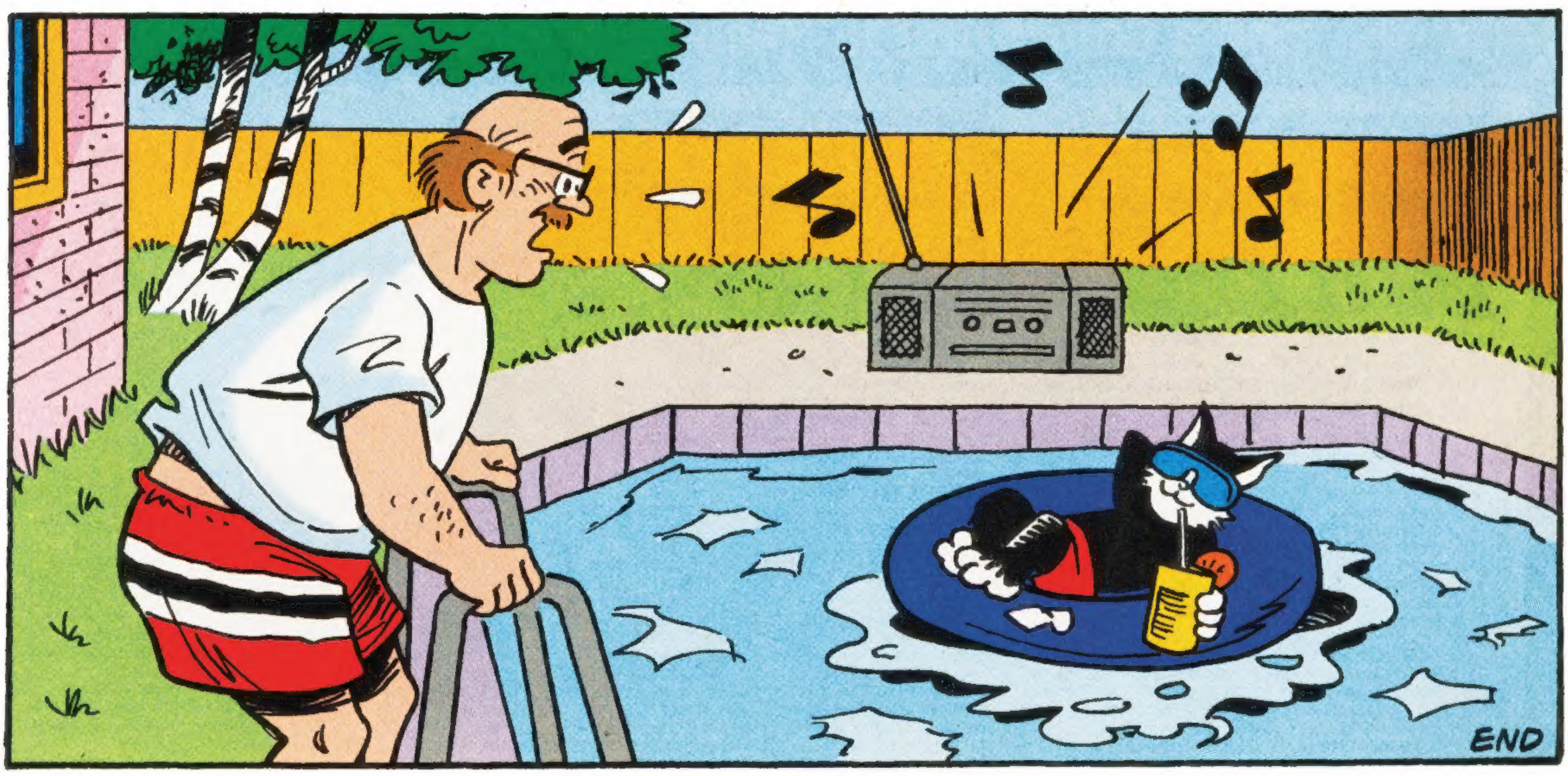

Cheryl Blossom

in "Cheers To You!" PART 2

GAK! WHAT'S WITH THE TACKY BUS?

The RIVERDALE CHEERLE

WE NEED TO GO IN STYLE! NOTHING BUT THE BEST FOR MY GIRLS!

DO WE HAVE TO RIDE IN THIS GAWDY THING?

HER FAMILY HAS SUPPLIED IT! A RATHER GENEROUS GESTURE!

WASN'T IT, GIRLS?

YES, MS. GRUNDY!

GIGGLE! LITTLE DO THEY KNOW THAT THE SIGN *CHANGES* WHEN WE'RE ON THE ROAD FROM "THE RIVERDALE CHEER-LEADERS"...

The Riverdale CHEERLEADERS

TO "CHERYL BLOSSOM'S CHEER-LEADERS SUPREME"! ⋮GIGGLE⋮

Cheryl Blossom's CHEERLEADERS SUPREME

The Riverdale CHEERLEADERS

AND GIRLS, I HAVE ANOTHER BONUS!

NEW OUTFITS!

THIS I HAVE TO SEE...

THESE ARE TOO MUCH!!

CHERYL, THIS IS A CHEERLEADING COMPETITION, NOT A LAS VEGAS SHOW!

OKAY, JUST HUMOR ME AND WEAR THEM FOR NOW! PLEASE!?

WELL, OKAY, *ONLY* FOR *NOW*!

I'LL *SWITCH* THEM WITH THEIR REGULAR OUTFITS *BEFORE* THE COMPETITION!

OKAY, LET'S GO THROUGH OUR "RIVERDALE TRIUMPHS" CHEER!

OH, AND EACH OF YOU PUT THESE ON!

I JUST THINK YOU'D ALL LOOK *SMASHING* IN RED HAIR LIKE MINE!

CHERYL! WE WANT YOU TO WATCH THIS CHEER!

NO WAY!

OKAY! OKAY! I GET THE *POINT!*

FINALLY THE BIG COMPETITION DAY ARRIVES...

MS. GRUNDY, CHERYL'S DRIVING US CRAZY!

BUT YOU HAVE TO *ADMIRE* HER DETERMINATION!

CB

HEY, WHY IS THE BUS *SLOWING* DOWN?

THERE'S A BIG ACCIDENT ON THE BRIDGE!

DETOUR

BUT OUR COMPETITION STARTS IN AN HOUR!

TELL THAT TO THE TRAFFIC JAM!

Blossom's LEADERS UPREME

IF WE DON'T GET THERE, ALL THIS *TALENT* WILL GO TO WASTE!

AND TO THINK OF ALL I *SPENT* ON OUR COSTUMES!

WHAT?! I THOUGHT WE WEREN'T WEARING THOSE COSTUMES!

OH-ER-I FORGOT TO TELL YOU, I FORGOT YOUR OLD COSTUMES! C'EST LA VIE!

LET ME *AT* HER!

GIRLS! STOP! WE MAY *NOT* MAKE IT THERE ANYHOW!

ALL THIS WORK GONE TO WASTE!

IT'S A PARKING LOT OUT THERE!

PEOPLE JUST SITTING THERE DOING NOTHING!

THE POLICE SAY WE'RE GONNA BE HERE FOR A COUPLE HOURS!

HEY, WHY NOT ENTERTAIN THESE POOR COMMUTERS WITH OUR STUFF!

WELL, IT'S BETTER THAN SITTING HERE DOING *NOTHING*!

OH WELL, WHY NOT?!

AND LOOK! TRAFFIC 'COPTERS! THEY'LL GET US ON *CAMERA*! WE'LL GET REAL MEDIA *COVERAGE* ON THIS!

TV9

BORED

SAL! DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE?

YEAH, MARCH! IT LOOKS LIKE A BUNCH OF CHEERLEADERS!

TV 9

THE BUS SAYS "CHERYL BLOSSOM'S CHEERLEADERS SUPREME!"

CHERYL BLOSSOM! IT *FIGURES*!

HEY! THIS IS GREAT!

TRAFFIC ENTERTAINMENT! WHAT A CONCEPT!

I'VE GOT TO GIVE YOU *CREDIT*, CHERYL! YOU'VE ENDED THE YEAR WITH A *BANG*!

AND JUST WAIT UNTIL SUMMER, MS. GRUNDY! YOU AIN'T SEEN *NOTHIN'* YET!

END

Cheryl's Carnival STYLE

Cheryl Blossom™

in "Family Matters" B

CHERYL!! YOU'VE GOT TO HELP ME!

WHAT? WHO NEEDS ME NOW? DOES MY HELPING THE NEEDY NEVER END!?

COUSIN ELAINE*? WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

YOUR MAGIC WORE OFF!

* SEE CHERYL SPECIAL # 2-1995

I'LL SAY IT DID!

REMEMBER HOW BEAUTIFUL YOU MADE ME?

YES, I DO!

IN FACT, I MADE HER SO BEAUTIFUL, SHE ACTUALLY GAVE ME A RUN FOR MY MONEY!

I'LL MAKE SURE NOT TO LET THAT HAPPEN AGAIN!

ER, I'LL HELP YOU ELAINE!

YOU WILL? THANKS!

OH, I'LL FIX YOU UP REAL GOOD!

DILTON, WOULD YOU GO OUT WITH MY COUSIN ELAINE?

IN A WORD... NO!

HEY! SHE'S YOUR CUTE COUSIN WHO VISITED LAST YEAR, RIGHT?

THAT'S RIGHT!

WELL, IF ARCHIE THINKS SHE'S CUTE, THEN FIX ME UP!

GREAT!

AND THIS'LL KEEP HER AWAY FROM ARCHIE!

SO...
CHERYL, I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE MY HAIR!
NEITHER CAN I!
GAK!!
WHAT HAPPENED? I LOOK LIKE THE BRIDE OF FRANKENSTEIN!
ARE YOU KIDDING! IT'S THE GOTHIC LOOK! VERY CHIC!
WELL, IF YOU SAY SO!
AND HERE! PUT THIS SNOWSUIT ON!
BUT IT'S SUMMER NOW!
DON'T YOU KNOW THAT REVERSIBLE SEASON WEAR IS COOL!?
WELL...
AND TOP IT OFF WITH A BOA!
NOW FOR MAKEUP...
THE CIRCUS CLOWN LOOK IS VERY CHIC!

THERE! YOU LOOK STUNNING! GIGGLE

WHY AREN'T YOU WEARING ANYTHING LIKE THIS?

OH, ER... I'LL GET MYSELF TOGETHER LATER!

NOW, GO MEET DILTON AT POP'S! I'LL SEE YOU LATER!

I'LL FOLLOW CLOSELY! THIS I'VE GOT TO SEE!

WHY IS ELAINE DRESSED LIKE THAT?

CHERYL'S TRYING TO SET HER UP!

OH SHE IS, IS SHE?

SO... HI, ARE YOU DILTON?

YES! ELAINE? LOOK AT YOU! WOW!

YOU'RE A KNOCKOUT! ARE YOU SURE YOU WANT A BORE LIKE ME? YOU MUST BE SOME AVANT-GARDE FASHION MODEL!

UH - OKAY, YOU'RE CUTE!

GAK! IT FIGURES! DILTON'S TOO NERDY TO KNOW WHAT LOOKS GOOD!

BUT BOY, SHE DOES LOOK INSANE!

HA! AT LEAST SHE'S NOT GOING TO GET ANYWHERE WITH ARCHIE!

P

CHERYL! WE HEARD ABOUT WHAT YOU DID TO ELAINE!

I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW DILTON DOILEY REALLY LIKES HER!

BUT NOT WITHOUT YOUR ATTEMPTS AT SABOTAGE!

IN FACT, WE HAVE A NEW LOOK FOR YOU TO TRY!

YOU WOULDN'T MAKE ME... NO... NOT ME...

OH, WOULDN'T WE...?

THIS IS SO HUMILIATING!

HA! HA! LOOKS LIKE CHERYL'S FINALLY FLIPPED!

END

GIRLS, THERE IS NO BETTER WAY TO GET THAT GUY, THAN CUTE SUMMER OUTFITS!
Dear Cheryl
CUTE OUTFITS SHOULD BE LAST ON YOUR LIST!
WHAT AN EVIL MIND SHE HAS!

BY SARA ALGASE

Dear Cheryl,
There's a new boy at school. He's in kindergarten and I'm in fifth grade. He keeps following me around and thinks I like him. If I don't run away, he kisses my friends and me. The principal and many teachers have told him to stop, but he won't take a hint. **– Laura, Anniston, AL**

Dear Laura,
*There's nothing wrong with younger men but this is ridiculous! It's bad for your image to have a post-toddler following you around. Tell this little boy that until he learns how to recite Shakespeare and do long division, you're not interested. – **Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
There is this geek and he's in love with me. Once he asked me to be his girlfriend in a note. I'm only in third grade for heaven's sake! How can I get him off my back? I'll try anything. I'm desperate. **– Girl With Desperate Problems, Mountain Home, AR**

Dear Girl With Desperate Problems,
*It can be so annoying when a boy keeps pestering you to date him and you're not interested. This happens often to me, as you might well imagine. I suggest you invent a big, muscle-bound boyfriend who lives in the next town and is very jealous. Whenever the geek asks you out mention your big brute of a boyfriend and how angry he'll be if he catches you two together. That should scare off your nerdy little friend. **– Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I'm in love with this guy named Mark. My friend was going out with him. When they broke up she told him that I like him. So I asked Mark out but he said "No." Now he knows that I like him but he doesn't like me. What should I do? **– A Person in Need of Advice, Roswell, GA**

Dear Person in Need of Advice,
*This guy obviously doesn't appreciate your special qualities. In that case, he's the lowest form of life. An amoeba, perhaps. I say date his best friend and make him really jealous. Then when he comes crawling back to you, reject him. Love is so much fun, isn't it? – **Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I'm a nine-year old boy. There is an eight-year-old girl I really like. She's just a friend. How can I get her to like me? **– Romance Confused, Juneau, AK**

Dear Romance Confused,
*I'm glad you asked. Girls are true romantics at heart and they like to know they mean something to that special boy. And how do you let them know you care? Gifts, of course. Lots of gifts. Get the picture? **–Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I had this great boyfriend named Jake. I liked him a lot but then he dumped me. I still feel bad about it. What should I do? **– Laurie Anne, Lakewood, CO**

Dear Laurie Anne,
*Being dumped must be awful. (I've never had it happen to me, but from what I hear it must be awful.) Don't take any of the blame for the break-up. It's definitely his fault for not appreciating your wonderful qualities. Not only is he insensitive but he's clueless as well. Ignore him forever. – **Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
My boyfriend wants me to go out with him practically every night. I like him but sometimes I feel like we see each other too much.
-- Courtney, Elmira, NY

Dear Courtney,
*It's great that your boyfriend is wild about you. But even popular girls need some time to themselves. Tell your boyfriend you need at least one or two days off a week. I mean, when are you going to find the time to go clothes shopping and deep condition your hair? – **Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I have a friend who used to be a lot like me, but now she's turned into a person I can't stand. My parents don't like the way she turned out either. Should I try to stay friends with her or forget about her?
– Lizzy, New York, NY

Dear Lizzy,
That all depends on whether she has a cute brother. If this girl has a cute brother, you might want to stay friends with her a bit longer, just so you can get to know her handsome sibling. If she doesn't have any cute guys in her family, then why are you friends with her anyway? (Unless she has cute clothes you can borrow?) ***– Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I really like this boy but he never notices me. But I can't wear perfume because I'm allergic to it.
– Lydia, Mountain View, AR

Dear Lydia,
I'm sorry to hear about your perfume allergy. But there are lots of things you can do to make yourself appealing to this guy. Keep a vase of pink roses on your desk, wear flavored lip gloss, peel an orange at lunch so the fruity orange smell will stay with you all day. And then if this guy doesn't notice how good you smell, either he has a bad cold or he's totally clueless! ***– Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I have a friend named Cassie. She has a crush on a cute boy and he likes her too. They talk a lot. But now the boy likes another girl. Cassie is really jealous. I want to help her, but how? **-- Ardelle, Cebu City, Philippines**

Dear Ardelle,
I think you and Cassie need to go clothes shopping. Find out what that other girl wears and buy the same thing only cuter, trendier and more fashionable. Then even if this guy doesn't change his mind and want to date your friend, at least she'll be the best-dressed girl in school!
-- Cheryl

Dear Cheryl,
There is this boy named Ben who I really like. We used to date each other but we broke up. Now I like him again, and I think he likes me too. We both haven't told each other, though. How can I get up the courage to tell him I still like him? **– Dazed & Confused, Milwaukee, WI**

Dear Dazed & Confused,
You don't have to tell this guy you still like him. Just act like you know he still likes you. Guys are so confused about love, they need you to decide for them. If you go around acting like he wants you back, chances are he'll start to believe it too. Funny how that works!
-- Cheryl

Dear Cheryl,
There's this guy I've liked since kindergarten. He's in my class but I don't think he even knows I exist! A lot of girls like him but I think he likes my best friend. What should I do?
–Broken Heart, Beverly Hills, CA

Dear Broken Heart,
Don't you hate it when the guy you like seems to like your best friend? (Not that it's ever happened to me, of course!) But it must be awful. Well, unless your friend's got her hooks into him, he's free territory, so grab him while you can and tell your friend that "You snooze, you lose."
-- Cheryl

Dear Cheryl,
My boyfriend moved away. I know I'll never see him again but I can't get over him not being around anymore. **– Lonely & Confused, St. Louis, MO**

Dear Lonely & Confused,
It is so insensitive of a boyfriend to move away. What about your Saturday nights? What about the Prom? Well now that your little chickie has flown the coop, it's time to find another boy toy. It may take time, at least a day or two, but be patient. Once I survived a whole week without a boyfriend. If I can do it, you can too! ***– Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I don't have a boyfriend. Whenever I'm with my friends I feel out of place because they are always talking about their boyfriends. I feel dumb because I don't have a boyfriend to talk about. What should I do?
– Melanie, Pendleton, OR

Dear Melanie,
I've never actually had that problem of not having a boyfriend (except for a few minutes back in third grade). When they start talking about their boyfriends, why don't you bring up some cute movie stars, like Leonardo DiCaprio or Matt Damon. Your friends will feel so bad because their boyfriends can't compare to those famous hunks. And maybe they'll stop yapping about their plain-old guys. ***-- Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
There's a boy I like. I told my friend, and she told everyone including him. I'm so embarrassed!
-- Embarrassed, Staten Island, NY

Dear Embarrassed,
Don't be embarrassed. It's natural to like a cute guy. What's embarrassing is when your shoes don't match your pocketbook! Tell this guy that your friend made up the story because she secretly likes him. If he believes what she says he'll believe you too. Aren't rumors so exciting?
-- Cheryl

Dear Cheryl,
I have a big problem. I'm in sixth grade and my parents treat me like a second grader. They don't let me date seriously or wear eyeliner. I went out with a guy but he dumped me because he thought I wasn't cool enough. **– Jenny, Tempe, AZ**

Dear Jenny,
How dare that guy dump one of my readers? Well he's just a worm so it's a good thing he crawled back under his rock. What is the deal with parents and eyeliner? Obviously the two don't mix. Maybe your mom will make up for her strict rules by taking you on a total blow-out shopping trip. It's the least she ccan do. ***– Cheryl***

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Cheryl Blossom in That Makes Scents

OH, WHAT IS IT WITH THESE *PERFUME ADS?*

I CAN'T OPEN A MAGAZINE WITHOUT ALL THESE SMELLS PERMEATING THROUGH THE AIR!

NEW!

Young GAL

AND EVERY CELEBRITY UNDER THE SUN HAS THEIR OWN SCENT! IT'S GETTING RIDICULOUS!

Young GAL

PAMELA AMBERSOME'S OCEAN MIST! HEATHER LOCKET'S SMELLY SECRETS! GIVE ME A BREAK!

OCEAN Mist

Smelly Secrets

HEY! I'M A *CELEBRITY!* WELL, SORT OF ANYWAY! I SHOULD DEVELOP MY OWN SCENT!

AND WITH A NAME LIKE BLOSSOM, IT'S SURE TO SMELL GREAT!

AND SO... SO, I NEED A FRAGRANCE THAT'S PROVOCATIVE, YET SUBTLE, STYLISH YET NONCONFORMIST...

OH, YEAH! WE'LL SEE WHAT WE CAN DO!

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WHAT SCENT WOULD SUIT HER?

PERHAPS BALONEY!

HA!!

SO... WHAT DO YOU THINK?!

I THINK IT'S GREAT...

...AS A BATHROOM CLEANER!

WELL!

WE WORKED HARD ON THAT!

MY NAME IS BLOSSOM.! IT HAS TO BE FLOWERY SMELLING.! PRETTY.! LIKE MOI.!

OKAY.! WE'LL WORK ON IT.!

LATER... GEEZ.! I CAN BARELY SMELL IT.! GIVE IT SOME PIZAZZ.!

SHE WANTS PIZAZZ, SHE'LL GET IT.!

SOON... YOU'RE DUMPING ALL THAT ROSE SCENT IN THERE? IT'LL MAKE HER EYES BURN.!

OH, SHE'LL NEVER BE HAPPY ANYWAY, WE MAY AS WELL TAKE OUR CHANCES!

I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE HER EXPRESSION...

SO... I LOVE IT.!

WHAT?! DON'T YOU FIND IT A BIT OVERPOWERING?

THAT'S WHAT I LIKE ABOUT IT.! AFTER ALL, I'M A BIT OVER-POWERING.!

TO SAY THE LEAST.!

GAK.!! WHAT'S THAT SMELL?

IT SMELLS LIKE A FLORAL SHOP EXPLODED.!

HELLO, GUYS! LIKE MY NEW DESIGNER FRAGRANCE?

CAN'T YOU TELL BY OUR WATERING EYES?!

VERY FUNNY! I'M UNVEILING MY FRAGRANCE AT MY BIG END-OF-SCHOOL PARTY!

LUCKY US!

I'M HAVING IT UP AT MY COUNTRY CLUB! YOU MAY ALL COME!

SO, THIS IS HER SWANKY PARTY!

MAN, IT IS SO HOT OUT HERE! THESE MOSQUITOES ARE DRIVING ME CRAZY!

HELLO, EVERYONE! WELCOME TO MY END OF SCHOOL PARTY! I ALSO WANT TO UNVEIL MY NEW SCENT "BLOSSOM!"

SLAP!! OUCH!

THESE BUGS ARE MURDER!

Introducing... Blossom!

EXCUSE ME! COULD YOU ALL PAY ATTENTION TO ME?

WE CAN'T! WE'RE GETTING EATEN ALIVE OUT HERE!

HEY, HOW COME THERE ARE NO BUGS AROUND YOU!

I BET I KNOW!!

LOOK! IF YOU SPRAY HER PERFUME, THEY ALL GO AWAY!!

SO...?

PSST!

GIMME SOME OF THAT!

PUT SOME ON ME!

STOP HOGGING MY PERFUME!!

Blossom THE NEW SCENT

THE BUGS ARE GONE!

CHERYL, YOU'VE CREATED THE PERFECT INSECT *REPELLENT*!

IS IT TRUE, MS. BLOSSOM? WE THOUGHT THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE PERFUME!

IT IS! IT'S JUST THAT THESE SIMPLETONS DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT!

CHERYL LOOKS KIND OF EMBARRASSED!

BUGGED IS MORE LIKE IT!

END